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TO COUNTY ASSESSORS:

WELFARE EXEMPTION--HOMES FOR ELDERLY OR HANDICAPPED

Assembly Bill 266 (Chapter 542, Statutes of 1985), which amends Section 214 of the Revenue and Taxation Code, provides that where a home for the elderly and/or handicapped (1) provides supplemental care or services (such as meals, transportation to doctors, stores, etc.) and/or (2) is financed by the federal government, the welfare exemption may be allowed if all other requirements for the exemption are met. In these instances the income statements referred to in assessors' letter 85/28 are not required.

In the event a claim for the welfare exemption is filed for a home for the elderly and/or handicapped that does not provide supplemental care or services or that is not financed by the federal government pursuant to Section 202 of Public Law 86-372 (12 U.S.C. Sec. 1701q), as amended, Section 231 of Public Law 73-479 (12 U.S.C. Sec. 1715v), or Section 236 of Public Law 90-448 (12 U.S.C. Sec. 1715), then the income statements discussed in assessors' letter 85/28 are required. This change is effective for the 1985-86 fiscal year and thereafter.

We plan to process the 1985 welfare exemption claims affected by this legislation and issue the appropriate findings during the next couple of weeks. If you have not already done so, please forward any 1985 claims you are holding.

If when processing a claim we are unable to ascertain federal financing or that supplemental care or services are provided, we will ask you to obtain that information for us.

Some counties have already sent tax bills to affected claimants and several claimants have called us seeking findings. To expedite our sending findings we would appreciate your advising concerned claimants not to call us at this time.

If you have any questions regarding the law change or this letter, please contact Bill Grommet of this office. Copies of the chaptered bill will be sent to you when available.

Sincerely,

Verne Walton
Verne Walton, Chief

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